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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION.

*New Delhi, the 15th February, 1937.*

**No. F.-251/37-C. & G.**—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 67, read with section 129A, of the Government of India Act, the Governor General in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council, is pleased to direct that the following further amendments shall, with effect from the 15th April, 1937, be made in the Indian Legislative Rules, namely:—

In the said rules—

1. At the beginning of sub-rule (1) of rule 8 the following shall be inserted, namely:—

“Subject to the provisions of these rules,”.

2. After rule 8 the following rule shall be inserted, namely:—

“8A. In the Assembly—

Procedure for questions in Assembly. (i) notice of a question shall be given in writing to the Secretary and shall specify—

(a) the official designation of the member to whom it is addressed, or, if the question is

addressed to a non-official member, the name of such member; and

(b) the date upon which the question is proposed to be placed on the list of questions for answer;

(ii) unless the President, with the consent of the Member of the Government to whose department the question relates, otherwise directs, no question shall be placed on the list of questions for answer until five clear days have expired from the time when notice of the admission of such question by the President has been given by the Secretary to the member to whom it is addressed;

(iii) not more than five questions asked by the same member shall be called for answer on any one day;

(iv) the time available for answering questions shall be allotted on different days in rotation for the answering of questions relating to such department or departments of the Government as the President may, from time to time, provide, and on each such day, unless

the President with the consent of the Member of the Government to whose department the question relates otherwise directs, only questions relating to the department or departments for which time on that day has been allotted, and questions addressed to non-official members, shall be placed on the list of questions for answer; and

(v) if any question placed on the list of questions for answer on any day is not called for answer within the time available for answering questions on that day, the member to whom the question is addressed shall forthwith lay upon the table of the Assembly a written reply to the question, and no oral reply shall be required to such question and no supplementary questions shall be asked in respect thereof:

Provided that a member may, by notice given at any time before the meeting for which his question has been placed on the list, withdraw his question, or postpone it to a later day to be specified in the notice, and on such later day the question shall, subject to the provisions of clause (iv), be placed on the list after all questions which have not been so postponed:

Provided further that a postponed question shall not be placed on the list until two clear days have expired from the time when the notice of postponement has been received by the Secretary."

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